

House Bill 721

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 36-60-17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to a  
2 prohibition against a water supplier's cut off of water to premises because of indebtedness  
3 of prior owner, occupant, or lessee, records required, and limited liens for unpaid charges for  
4 water, gas, sewerage service, or electricity, so as to change certain provisions relating to  
5 limited liens for unpaid charges for gas, sewerage service, or electricity; to repeal conflicting  
6 laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 36-60-17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to a prohibition  
10 against a water supplier's cut off of water to premises because of indebtedness of prior  
11 owner, occupant, or lessee, records required, and limited liens for unpaid charges for water,  
12 gas, sewerage service, or electricity, is amended by revising subsection (d) as follows:

13 "(d) A public or private supplier of gas, sewerage service, or electricity shall not impose  
14 a lien against real property to secure unpaid charges for gas, sewerage service, or  
15 electricity unless the owner of such real property is the person who incurred the charges.  
16 For purposes of this subsection, the term 'sewerage' includes without limitation  
17 storm-water runoff."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.